

THE

CRUMB

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

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Middlebury College and the Conference welcome you to the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference. This bulletin, The Crumb, is the official newsletter of the Conference; each morning it will be left at your place in the Dining Hall. The Crumb contains daily schedules, any changes in the program, and other notices of interest to Conference members.

TONIGHT:

Tonight at 8:00 in the Little Theatre, Dr. James I. Armstrong, President of Middlebury College, will open the 1965 Conference. Mr. John Ciardi, Director of the Conference, will welcome Bread Loafers to the Mountain. Immediately afterwards a reception will be held in the Barn.

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

All contributors' manuscripts should be turned in to Mr. Martin in the Director's Office as soon as possible and not later than noon Thursday. Mr. Martin will take special note of any problems and requests. Mr. Ciardi and the staff will then try to solve the problems and to accommodate the requests. Since it will be necessary to have all manuscripts on hand before individual assignments are determined, no final action on assignments can be taken before Thursday afternoon.

THE PARKING PROBLEM:

The State Police enforce a highway law that prohibits parking on the road in front of the Inn and the several cottages. Guests are therefore urged to use the two parking areas on the campus: the main area in front of the Barn, or on the east side of the highway beyond Maple. The area in front of the Inn must be clear for the taxi and mail delivery; the area between the kitchen and the Theatre must also be kept free for unloading supplies.

MESSAGES, CALLS, TELEGRAMS, ETC., ETC.

Please check your post office box several times daily for notices, telegrams, calls, and so forth. Some of the dormitories have no direct phone connections, and a note in your mail box is our only means of communication with you.

A REMINDER:

Please do not make long distance phone calls from your dormitories. A pay station for outside calls is located downstairs in the Inn in the entry way to the Bookstore.

A FEW CHANGES:

Messrs. Sherrard Gray and David Chambers are our Librarians; Miss Kathy Morgan has replaced Miss Barbara Gibb in the Snack Bar.

NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Please contact Mr. Dick Ross or anyone else at the Front Desk about receiving a daily or Sunday newspaper while the Conference is in session. Some of the papers available are the New York Times, the New York Herald-Tribune, the Boston Herald, and the Burlington Free Press.

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August 19, 1965

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS:

9:00 Novel: "To Begin With..."
10:15 Non-fiction
11:30 Short Story
2:00 Juvenile
3:15 Poetry

Mr. Sloane
Mr. Brower
Mr. Epstein
Miss Blake
Mr. Ciardi

EVENING LECTURE:

Miss Nancy Hale will speak at 8:00 p.m. this evening in the Little Theatre on "Taking Criticism."

DINING ROOM REMINDER FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE:

The dining room doors are open from 8:00 until 8:30 a.m., 1:00 to 1:15 p.m., and 6:15 to 6:30 p.m. The doors will be closed promptly and firmly, and no one -- staff, fellows, conference members, or guests -- will be admitted thereafter under any circumstances. The waiters and waitresses are all carefully selected and especially valued members of this Conference, and it is important that they have time to finish their work and still get to the lectures. Anyone who arrives too late to be seated in the Dining Hall will be able to get a snack in the Barn. When the doors close, do not head for the complaint desk -- head for the Barn.

MAGAZINE DISPLAY:

A large collection of magazines of all kinds is on display in the Barn; this collection has been assembled for the pleasure of the entire Conference, and it is therefore urged that copies not be removed from the Barn.

FROM THE BOOKSTORE:

(1) The Bread Loaf Bookstore is located on the way to the Blue Parlor, next to Mr. Martin's office. Members of the Conference are cordially invited to browse in the postage-stamp-size establishment during "office" hours clearly posted on the door.

(2) Members of the Conference who buy books in the Bookstore and wish to have them autographed by the authors, may leave them with the Bookstore Manager to be picked up at a later date.

(3) If you don't see what you want, desire, need, or demand in the Bookstore, ask for it. Bread Loaf is supplied from "down there" in Middlebury, and the Manager will be glad to get what you need burroed up the mountain.

(4) The Manager has equipped the Bookstore with some books left over from the English School and would be glad to have you inspect his wares. Unfortunately, he cannot guarantee that authors like John Donne and George Eliot will be available to sign copies of their books, but he offers to inscribe the books with choice poesies culled from many places.

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August 20, 1965

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS:

9:00 Poetry
10:15 Non-fiction
11:30 Novel
2:00 Short Story
3:15 Juvenile

Mr. Nims
Mr. Ellmann
Mr. Jackson
Miss Hale
Miss Blake

TONIGHT'S SPECIAL EVENT:

Mr. Robert Pack will read from his poetry tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre. He has published, among other books, Guarded by Women and edited New Poets of England and America, two volumes, with Donald Hall and Louis Simpson.

NEWSPAPERS:

This morning at 9:00 a.m. is the deadline for ordering newspapers. Please contact the Front Office.

LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING:

Members of the Conference may leave laundry and dry cleaning at the Front Office to be taken to Middlebury between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. tomorrow (Saturday); it will be returned Wednesday afternoon. Laundry also goes down Wednesday morning and returns on Saturday, and the vicious cycle repeats itself.

A WARNING:

Members using the trails around Bread Loaf are earnestly requested not to go alone. The Conference cannot accept responsibility for the safety of anyone who disregards this notice.

Members may get a copy of The Crumb with hiking information and a trail map at the Front Office.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT:

Dr. Irving Klompus, of Birch 4, is in attendance at the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference; his hours are by appointment.

WEEKEND ABSENCES:

Those who are to be away from the campus over the weekend (there are always a few) should sign the list posted on the bulletin board by the Front Office, leaving a forwarding address in case of emergency. Those who will be absent from any meals during the weekend (a group usually smaller than the former) should also sign.

LOST:

One orchid-colored knitting needle. Please return to Miss Hale or the Front Office. Progress is being held up. Thank you.

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CRIMINALS

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 21, 1965

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS:

9:00 Short Story
10:15 Novel
11:30 Poetry
2:00 Non-fiction
3:15 Children's Poetry

Mr. Epstein
Mr. Sloane
Mr. Rago
Mr. Goodman
Miss Blake, Messrs.
Ciardi and Pack

TONIGHT'S SPECIAL EVENT:

Mr. Dudley Fitts will talk in the Little Theatre at 8:00 this evening (Saturday). A noted translator, Mr. Fitts has also published several books of poems and is the Editor of the Yale Series of Younger Poets. He is a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters and a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences.

CHURCH SERVICES THIS WEEKEND:

It is customary, even traditional, for car owners to offer transportation for those without cars to go to church services in Middlebury on Sunday. A list will be posted on the dining-room bulletin board for those who wish to offer rides. Persons seeking transportation should get in touch with those who have signed on the church list. The times for church services will be posted on the dining-room bulletin board this morning.

TWO OTHER CHURCH NOTICES:

(1) Father John Gilligan will say mass in the Library tomorrow at 10:30 a.m.

(2) Rabbi Victor Reichert will preach at the Ripton Methodist Church at 8:50 a.m. Sunday morning.

A NOTE ON OUR WATER SUPPLY:

Please continue to drink only the water provided in containers in the Inn, the Barn, and the various dormitories. Tap water must be used only for bathing and washing.

A NOTE ON BOOKS BY BREAD LOAF FELLOWS AND SCHOLARS:

The Vermont Book Shop in Middlebury has for sale the following books by fellows and scholars of the Conference: Ralph Lee Smith's The Hucksters, an expose; Claude Brown's Manchild in the Promised Land, a novel; Justin Mamis's Love, a novel; Catherine Crary's Dear Belle, a chronicle of Civil War letters; David Shapiro's January, a book of poems; Kristin Hunter's God Bless the Child, a novel; Octavia Waldo's A Cup in the Sun, a novel; Donn Pearce's Cool Hand Luke, a novel; and John Weston's Jolly, a novel.

The Vermont Book Shop also has copies of Margaret Clark's Mystery at Star Lake, Mystery of the Buried Indian Mask, Mystery of the Marble Zoo, and Mystery of Seneca Hill.

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August 22, 1965

THIS AFTERNOON:

Mr. John Frederick Nims, the only surviving professor from the Bread Loaf School of English, will turn poet (his true métier, he informs The Crumb) and read from his poetry with comments at 2:00 p.m. this afternoon in the Little Theatre. Mr. Nims has translated Euripides' Andromache, the Poems of St. John of the Cross, and his edition of the famous Golding translation of Ovid will be published shortly. His volumes of poetry include The Iron Pastoral, A Fountain in Kentucky, and the more recent Knowledge of the Evening.*

THIS EVENING:

Mr. Seymour Epstein will talk about modern literature and the literature of protest this evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre. He is the author of Pillar of Salt, The Successor, and Leah, now in its third printing, the winner of the Edward Lewis Wallant Annual Book Award. His newest book is A Penny for Charity, a collection of his short stories, scheduled for publication tomorrow, August 23, but he reports that pre-natal copies have arrived at the Bread Loaf Bookstore.

A PLEA:

Who "swiped," borrowed, or misplaced Sister Luke's missal and office book? (Confess, Father Gilligan). Both were last seen on the lower part of the office of the Inn. A reward is offered.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Anyone interested in sharing a taxi to Burlington on Wednesday, September 1 to catch the 8:00 a.m. plane to New York, please contact Mrs. S. R. Watson, Box 147.

SUNDAY PAPERS:

Sunday papers for subscribers arrive before noon and are placed some time afterwards on the table near the post office boxes; subscribers' names will be written on each newspaper.

SOCIAL NOTES:

The fête champêtre on the lawn west of the Little Theatre is being acclaimed as a smashing social success. We tried four times to hold a picnic during the English School, and not even the repeated announcements by Paul Cubeta changed the weather. And yet the first week of Writers' Conference -- a coincidence? Noticed in deep conversation were Poet Pack and Critic Ellmann, with Polemicist Goodman staring up at the sky and Waitress Hanley bemused by the whole thing. Mr. Ciardi was seen trouncing the heretofore invincible Ben on the croquet court. Mr. Martin was seen al fresco for the first time in a week. Consult next Saturday morning's Crumb for a notice about a picnic.

* A FOOTNOTE:

And (if the mood suits) Mr. Nims will offer an entertainment.

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August 23, 1965

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS:

9:00 Juvenile
10:15 Novel
11:30 Non-fiction
2:00 Short Story
3:15 Poetry

Miss Blake
Mr. Sloane
Mr. Brower
Miss Hale
Mr. Pack

TONIGHT'S SPECIAL EVENT:

Mr. Walter Goodman, one of the three resident handlers of the real world and things "that really matter," will speak this evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre on various aspects of mass culture; at this writing he is undecided on including writers' conferences under the heading "mass culture." Mr. Goodman has served on the editorial boards of magazines as diverse as New Republic and Playboy. His most recent book, All Honorable Men, examines price-fixers, bribe takers, quiz-show riggers, and others who have stepped over the fine line that separates respectability from disapproval; he writes of, in his words, "scandals without scoundrels."

CRUMB REPRINTS:

(1) July 31, 1930

"In response to our inquiry regarding the Bread Loaf sign, Prof. Boyce writes: 'I delayed reply to get information from Eliza McQuiry and John Houston. She says that the sign was first painted in 1866 by a Mr. Kingsley, who lived in Middlebury village; also some years after it was repainted by him. I remember that a boarder at Bread Loaf who was making sketches, repainted it after I began working for Mr. Battell. I think the man's name was Smiley or some such name. (Miss Curtis very kindly confirms this) -- Eliza says Bread Loaf was named by Miss Baker, cousin of Mr. Battell, who used to board at the Inn'. We are very grateful to Professor Boyce for the information he has sent us. It is of interest to all Bread Loafers."

(2) August 2, 1922

"Valiant efforts have been made recently in the little village (of Ripton) to equip a Community House. The Crumb wonders whether members of the School interested in the rural problem may care to consider offering some form of entertainment at some time for the villagers."

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

You see, dear readers, to what lengths the Editor has to go to get material for his daily publication. Why not see your stuff in print; why not get back at the Editor, selected staff members, the Bread Loaf management, Vermont, LBJ, Sandy Martin, the Schoolhouse plumbing, the Burdick's dry well, the impossible newspaper situation, the National League pennant race, or anything else you desire -- why not help the Editor fill The Crumb? Your offering may be shoved under the Bookstore door or left at the Front Office.

WINTER

CRUINN

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 24, 1965

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS:

9:00 Short Story
10:15 Poetry
11:30 Novel
2:00 Non-fiction

Mr. Jackson
Mr. Rago
Mr. Epstein
Mr. Ellmann

A SPECIAL EVENT:

At 3:15 this afternoon a panel of editors will discuss the editor's function and answer questions about the editorial process. Participating editors will include: Eunice Blake, William Sloane, Brock Brower, Walter Goodman, John Ciardi, Barbara Rex, Mary Moore Molony, and Claire Gaucher.

TONIGHT'S SPECIAL EVENT:

Mr. Chard Powers Smith will speak on Edwin Arlington Robinson at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre. Mr. Smith has published five books of poetry and four novels; The Housatonic and Yankees and God deal with things New Englandy. He is the author of Where the Light Falls, a study of Robinson.

GENERAL CHANGES IN THE SCHEDULE:

Please note on your conference schedule the following changes:

(1) Saturday, August 28: at 3:30 p.m. Mr. Sloane will speak. The panel previously scheduled for this hour will take place today as described above.

(2) Monday, August 30: at 9:00 a.m. the Novel Clinic will be conducted by Mr. Sloane.

A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

Julia Child, authoress of Mastering the Art of French Cooking, will be on campus until Friday. Copies of her book may be obtained at the Vermont Book Shop in Middlebury, and Mrs. Child has informed the Editor that she will be pleased to autograph copies.

LOST:

One black wallet. Please return to Al Wall or the Front Office.

PLEASE NOTE:

The first invitational tea given by Mr. and Mrs. Ciardi, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, and the Staff of the Writer's Conference will be held at 4:15 p.m. in the Library. If you weren't invited today, check your mailbox and find your invitation for tomorrow -- everyone is invited one day or t'other.

A CHANCE TO SEE A RAREE SHOW:

The Bread Loaf staff, fellows, and scholars will assemble after lunch today on the porch of the Little Theatre, rain or shine, for the annual celluloid immortalization manuever. The official photographer will be in evidence, and amateurs are encouraged to join him in snapping the scriptores.

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CURRENT

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 25, 1965

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS:

9:00 Non-fiction
10:15 Novel
11:30 Short Story
2:00 Poetry
3:15 * * *

Mr. Goodman
Miss Hale
Mr. Brower
Mr. Nims
Mr. Upson

THIS AFTERNOON

The * * * above mean "How to Write a Funny Story," the title of Mr. William Hazlett Upson's ragout to be served this afternoon at 3:15 p.m. The creator of the immortal Alexander Botts who will live forever on the seat of his Earthworm Tractor, Mr. Upson has long been associated with the Writers' Conference. He will unveil his tested secrets for making readers roar with laughter.

THIS EVENING'S SPECIAL LECTURE:

Mr. Theodore Morrison will speak on "An Image for the Writer" this evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre. Mr. Morrison directed the Writers' Conference for over twenty years; he has edited and translated The Portable Chaucer; his books of poetry include The Devious Way and The Dream of Alcestris; his novels include The Stones of the House, To Make a World, and the recent The Whole Creation.

LOST:

One silver Zippo lighter left in the Little Theatre. Its owner is very anxious and refuses to use matches. Please return to the Front Office.

OUR FIRST AND ONLY WARNING OR NOTICE:

Absolutely no personal checks can be cashed after 1:00 p.m. today (Wednesday). This is a directive from the bank. Please do not embarrass us by asking for special consideration -- we have no power to make any exceptions. Traveller's checks, bank checks, and certified checks will be cashed, as will money orders -- such are always cleared by the bank.

A FINAL NOTE ABOUT LAUNDRY:

Today at 12 noon is the final hour for sending out laundry or dry cleaning; it will return Saturday afternoon.

SEVERAL ITEMS FROM THE BOOKSTORE:

(1) Please allow two or three days for the Manager to get books autographed; he does not like to ask a staff member to leave contributors' manuscripts to sign one or two books.

(2) The Bookstore accepts personal checks only for the bill rung up on the cash register; the Manager may not dispense extra funds to thirsty customers.

(3) The Manager is selling selected books left over from the English School at 15% off.

TWO FOOTNOTES:

(1) Please keep the noise down after 11:00 p.m.

(2) Ice may be purchased at the Snack Bar in the Barn.

TREE

CRIMINAL

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 27, 1965

TODAY'S SCHEDULE (CLINICS):

9:00	Non-fiction	Messrs. Brower, Ellmann, and Goodman
10:30	Short Story	Miss Hale
2:00	Novel	Messrs. Jackson and Sloane
3:30	Poetry	Messrs. Pack, Rago, and Ciardi

TONIGHT'S SPECIAL EVENT:

Mr. Brock Brower will speak on "Problems of Imperial Dress." There is nothing at all to be said about him. 8:00 p.m., Little Theatre.

SPECIAL ADVANCE NOTICE: POETRY READING:

Saturday evening at 9:30 in the Little Theatre. David Shapiro, Robert Frost Fellow in Poetry; Helen Chasin, Adassa Frank, and Valerie Worth, all Bread Loaf Scholars, will read.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE BOOK STORE:

To allow the harassed waiters to part with their ill-gotten gains, the Manager will open the Bookstore from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. this afternoon. Others are cordially invited, and the Manager will permit them to make purchases during this hour. His 15% off sale on books remaining from the English School continues, and he reports that a large stock of large Victorian novels is on hand: Eliot, Dickens, etc. -- wonderfully long tomes to while away long winter nights. Stop in to see his wide selection.

NOTE TO CONFEREES:

Every year at this time the Front Office asks conferees to tell us how and when they are leaving; every year most people return the information in a day or so, but there are always a few people who never bother to tell us anything and then show up on Wednesday morning fully expecting to be taken by bus to Middlebury, Rutland, Walla Walla, or points in between. If you turn in your departure slip promptly, we can plan with Vermont Transit to have enough buses at the Middlebury bus station. REA packages are sent COLLECT; tags may be secured at the Front Office.

NAME _____

DEPARTURE DATE _____ TO MEET A BUS? _____ WHICH ONE? _____

NO. OF PACKAGES FOR REA _____ TO BE LEFT IN ROOM NO. _____

TIME

CRIMINALS

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 27, 1965

TODAY'S SCHEDULE (CLINICS):

9:00	Short Story	Mr. Epstein
10:30	Poetry	Messrs. Pack, Rago, and Nims
2:00	Juvenile	Miss Blake
3:30	*****	Mr. Sloane

THIS AFTERNOON:

Mr. William Sloane, newly discovered best-selling author, will talk this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre. His talk will be in two parts: a. Editor and b. Sex.

THIS EVENING:

When we approached Mr. Lederer, tonight's speaker, he was busily preparing for his talk, "Tranquillity Never Created Anything," by being most untranquil. In his quarters in Maple, outfitted like Hawser Trunion's in Peregrine Pickle with a hammock for a bed and windows painted to resemble portholes, Mr. Lederer was bellowing orders to the rest of Maple. He announced that he had been so creative that his new novel, written with the late Eugene Burdick, Sarkhan (the mythical country in which The Ugly American was set), was to be published at the end of October. After peremptory commands to clear the yardarms and cut off the masts, he becalmed himself enough to declare "...tranquil nations usually go down the drain and tranquil writers seldom produce anything." The Editor pressed for more bons mots, but a huge wave engulfed tonight's speaker and washed the Editor out of Maple, down Rte. 125, and into the Inn, leaving him high and dry at his typewriter; Mr. Lederer has not been heard from since.

A REMINDER:

There are those who sleep, think, meditate, compose and repose at Bread Loaf, and they find the decibel exposure in the dining room quite enough. So please, especially after ten at night, treat lightly on the boards, key and wood, and speak softly.

LIBRARY:

All books borrowed from the Library must be returned today. The Library hours (yes, the Library does exist -- but do Sherry Gray and Dave Chambers?) are 4-5 p.m. and 7-8 p.m.

POETRY READING:

By the Fellows and Scholars at 9:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre. The Editor will unwind his 24,000 line epic in dactylic hexameter, unread or unasked for by Messrs. Nims, Ciardi, Pack, or Rago, "I Was an Academic in the Midst of Creation."

PICNIC THIS NOON

KEEP BREAD LOAF GREEN: SPEND MONEY IN THE BOOKSTORE

TRUE

CRIMINALS

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 29, 1965

THIS AFTERNOON:

Mr. John Ciardi, Director of the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, will speak on "How to Learn 'Em Poetry." Mr. Ciardi learned many students before he left the halls of academe. The talk will begin at 2:00 p.m.; non-academics (i.e., creative people) will be permitted to attend.

TONIGHT'S TALK:

Mr. Charles Jackson, novelist, essayist and short story writer, will speak this evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre. He will announce his topic at the lectern, for he wishes to create an element of suspense.

A NOTE FROM THE DINING HALL:

Bring back any dishes you have and place them on the tray by the dining room door, or we won't have enough dishes for the banquet.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

There will be a reading (?), performance (?), happening (?) featuring the Fellows and Scholars today at 4:15 p.m. in the Little Theatre following Mr. Ciardi's talk. The Editor will not attend, having heard no favorable response to his proposed reading of his epic.

FROM THE VERMONT BOOK SHOP:

More copies of John Weston's Jolly have arrived; Cool Hand Luke by Donn Pearce and The Health Hucksters by Ralph Lee Smith stand a good chance of arriving Monday. Mr. Blair has kindly offered to sell anyone a copy of Mr. Rago's A Sky of Late Summer and Mr. Ciardi's I Met a Man and As If because all three of these books are sold out in the Bread Loaf Bookstore.

TWO OR THREE NOTES FROM THE BUSY BREAD LOAF MANAGEMENT:

- (1) Tips for the waiters may be placed in the box provided in the Dining Hall. Tips for the maids may be given personally or left in an envelope marked, for example, "Maid, 1st Floor Treman," with the Front Office.
- (2) REA tags for parcels and luggage may be obtained at the Front Office; you must indicate on your departure slip the number of parcels and your room number. All parcels are shipped COLLECT.

A NOTE FROM THE HEAD WAITRESS:

Sign up on the list on the Dining Hall bulletin board if you and your friends wish to reserve a table for the royal feast on Tuesday evening.

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 30, 1965

TODAY'S SCHEDULE (CLINICS):

9:00	Novel ("Write Your Own Novel")	Messrs. Sloane and Jackson
10:30	Short Story	Messrs. Epstein and Brower
2:00	Poetry	Messrs. Pack, Rago, and Nims
3:30	Non-fiction	Messrs. Lederer and Goodman

TONIGHT'S SPECIAL EVENT:

Mr. Richard Ellmann will speak at 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre on "Yeats among the Poets." This is a belated birthday address to Yeats, who would have been one hundred years old some time in June of this year. Mr. Ellmann is an authority of modern literature and has written two books on Yeats; during the past year he was called to testify in a book-banning episode over James Baldwin's Another Country.

A NOTICE FROM THE TAXI DRIVER:

The algae-collecting Mr. Towle warns all prospective bus riders that he must collect them twenty-five (25) minutes before the bus is scheduled to depart from Middlebury. He is busily compiling lists of probable taxi riders, so it is imperative that you turn in your departure slip -- if he doesn't know you plan to leave on a certain bus, you may be left behind.

ANOTHER NOTICE FROM THE VERMONT BOOK SHOP:

Dike Blair, a master merchandiser, has shrewdly supplied himself with copies of William Sloane's double-chiller, The Rim of Morning. Dike heard the sounds of customers ripping dust jackets and trampling over Mary Molony to buy a copy of this book in the miniscule Bread Loaf Bookstore and woke up from one of his famous naps to discover that he'd missed a good thing. The Crumb plugs the Vt. Book Shop only when the Bread Loaf Bookstore is sold out of an item. Dike will now reap the benefits of an aggressive sales campaign put on by Mr. and Mrs. Sloane. Get your copy down the mountain.

A PLEA FROM THE LIBRARY:

Some books have still not been returned to the Library. Get 'em back today or else. The hours (ha!) are 4-5 and 7-8.

FROM THE BOOKSTORE:

The rumors spread by veterans of many Conferences like the Oklahoma Kid and the New York Sophisticate are true: smart Bread Loafers wait to buy their books until the end of the Conference, when the discount sale begins. But this year they've been outsmarted: sure, the sale begins this morning at 15% off of all books, but the Manager will not get any books sold at a discount autographed; nor can he sell copies of The Lost Weekend (due in the morning mail) at a discount -- he has a large postage bill to pay. Thus, he defies you to come to his sale.

THE CLINIC

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Bread Loaf, Vermont

August 31, 1965

TODAY'S SCHEDULE (CLINICS):

9:00 . Short Story	Miss Hale
10:30 Juvenile	Miss Blake
2:00 Poetry	Messrs. Ciardi, Pack, Nims, and Rago
3:30 Novel	Mr. Epstein

BANQUET TONIGHT:

To highlight the last evening of the Conference a delicious banquet will be served this evening at 6:30 p.m. The dining hall door will be opened at 6:25 p.m. and closed promptly at 6:30, so PLEASE be on time.

Tables may be reserved by signing up on the list on the bulletin board by the Dining Hall.

Anyone planning to bring guests to the banquet should check first with the Head Waitress and then purchase a meal ticket at the Front Desk for \$2.50 a guest.

After dinner we will adjourn to the Little Theatre for the Final Clinic.

SAFETY DEPOSIT:

Please withdraw your cash, coupons, or what have you from the Front Office by noon today (Tuesday).

NEWSPAPERS:

Today is the final day of newspaper subscriptions.

MEALS ON WEDNESDAY:

Breakfast will be served only at 7:30 a.m., and lunch will be served only at 11:20 a.m. The usual 15-minute period of the open door policy will be eliminated, so you'll have to be on time.

THIS AFTERNOON:

We'll try to hold a picnic this afternoon, if the weather lets us.

ADDRESS LIST CORRECTIONS:

Ernestine Cofield, East Chicago, Indiana.

Thomas John Carlisle.

FROM THE BOOKSTORE:

There are a few books left in the Bookstore, such as copies of The Lost Weekend, Leah, A Penny for Charity, and The Best of Botts (some of which books have been reserved for Conferees), and you can snap them up at 15% off. ALL BOOKS ARE ON SALE AT 15% OFF. Plenty of books have been signed, so you should drop by to see what happened to the ones you left to be signed. We'll stay open a little longer today and will open for a while tomorrow morning, provided there's something left on the shelves to be sold. Any books left to be signed that are not picked up by quitting time Wednesday could very well become additions to the Manager's expanding library.

BREAD LOAF WRITERS' CONFERENCE 1965

MEAL HOURS:

Daily

Breakfast	8:00-8:30	Dietitian: Miss Katherine
Luncheon	1:00-1:15	Pellerin
Dinner	6:15-6:30	Head Waiter: Mrs. Nancy Black

(Note: the door will be closed at the hour stated above and no one will be admitted thereafter.)

STAFF:

Director: Mr. John Ciardi
Assistant Director: Mr. Edward A. Martin
Secretary: Mrs. Mary Moore Molony

MAIN DESK:

Mr. Richard Ross: Front Office Manager
Messrs. Michael Black and Chuck Towle: Assistants to the Manager
Weekdays and Saturday: 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. (Switchboard open until 10:00 p.m.)
Sunday: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; 6:30-7:30 p.m. (Switchboard open until 10:00 p.m.)

POST OFFICE:

Open weekdays and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Closed Sundays.
Outgoing mail should be posted by 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Incoming mail is ready for distribution at 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

LIBRARY:

Messrs. Roland Dale and Sherrard Gray.
Daily: 4:00-5:00 p.m.; 7:00-8:00 p.m.

BOOKSTORE:

Mr. Michael Black, Manager
Daily except Sunday: 8:30-9:00 a.m.
12:15-1:00 p.m.
1:30-2:00 p.m., except Saturday.

SNACK BAR:

Misses Sally Dorn, Patty Caul, and Barbara Gibbs.
Daily: 8:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

CLINIC:

Mrs. Helene Luther, Nurse; Infirmary in Room 2 of Birch Cottage.
Weekdays: 8:30-9:00 a.m.; 1:30-2:00 p.m.; 6:45-7:15 p.m.
Sundays: 8:30-9:00 a.m.; 2:00-2:30 p.m.; 6:45-7:15 p.m.

TAXI SCHEDULE:

Trips are made Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons.
The charge is \$1.00 round trip payable at the start.
Leave Bread Loaf Inn at 1:45 p.m.; arrive Middlebury at 2:05 p.m.
Leave Middlebury at Rexall Drug Store at 3:45 p.m.; arrive Bread Loaf at 4:05 p.m.
The taxi will leave both stations at the above times and cannot wait for stragglers.

DRY CLEANING AND LAUNDRY:

Information available later this week.

CARS:

Cars should be parked in an outdoor space provided by the Conference.

CHECKS:

No personal checks can be cashed at Bread Loaf during the second week of the Conference.

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH:

(1) Telephone calls: (a) A pay station for outgoing calls is on the first floor of the Inn at the foot of the stairs near the Bookstore. The number is 802 388-9479. All Conference members must use this phone.
(b) Incoming calls for Bread Loaf residents are handled through the Middlebury exchange: 802 388-4941. (c) EXCEPT IN AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE HAVE INCOMING CALLS PLACED BEFORE 10:00 p.m., AT WHICH TIME THE SWITCHBOARD CLOSES. The switchboard will also be closed from 1:00-6:30 p.m. on Sunday. Conference members should check mail boxes several times daily for messages and notices of calls, especially around meal times.
(2) Telegrams: Information available later this week.

CONFERENCE MEMBERS WHO ARE TO BE AWAY SHOULD INFORM THE MAIN DESK AND LEAVE AN ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE NUMBER WHERE THEY CAN BE REACHED.